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WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. An image display apparatus having a flat type image display panel and a casing that supports said image display panel, said image display apparatus comprising:

a recording/reproducing unit that conducts writing or reading with respect to a plate-like storage medium; and

a transport structure that supports said storage medium substantially in parallel with a panel face of said image display panel within said casing and projects said storage medium from said casing;

wherein said transport structure changes an arrangement direction of said storage medium such that the arrangement direction of said storage medium supported within said casing and the arrangement direction of said storage medium projected from said casing are different.

2. An image display apparatus as claimed in claim

1, wherein said transport structure is of a structure
in which a period of time during which the direction of
said storage medium gradually changes occurs while said
storage medium is shifted from a state where said
storage medium is received in said casing to a state
where said storage medium is most projected from said
casing.

- 3. An image display apparatus having a flat type image display panel and a casing that supports said image display panel, said image display apparatus comprising:
- a recording/reproducing unit that conducts writing or reading with respect to a plate-like storage medium;

a transport structure that supports said storage medium substantially in parallel with a panel face of said image display panel within said casing and projects said storage medium from said casing; and

a moving structure for relatively moving a peripheral device attached to said casing with respect to said casing;

wherein said moving structure can relatively move a peripheral device placed at a position where the peripheral device interferes with said storage medium when said storage medium is projected from said casing to a position where the peripheral device does not interfere with the projection of said storage medium.

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- An image display apparatus as claimed in claim
 wherein the peripheral device is a speaker.
- 5. An image display apparatus as claimed in claim
 25 3, wherein said moving structure is of the structure in
 which the peripheral device and said casing can be
 relatively moved so as to be apart from each other.

6. An image display apparatus as claimed in claim 3, wherein said moving structure is of the structure in which a position of mounting the peripheral device to said casing is movable.

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7. An image display apparatus having a flat type image display panel and a casing that supports said image display panel, said image display apparatus comprising:

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a recording/reproducing unit that conducts writing or reading with respect to a plate-like storage medium; and

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a transport structure that supports said storage medium substantially in parallel with a panel face of said image display panel within said casing and at a position where said storage medium is not superimposed on said image display panel, and projects said storage medium from said casing.

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8. An image display apparatus as claimed in claim 7, wherein said transport structure is designed in such a manner that a holding structure for holding said recording/reproducing unit or said storage medium is drawn toward a front side while changing the direction of said storage medium, to thereby project said storage medium from said casing.

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- An image display apparatus as claimed in claim
 , wherein the plate-like storage medium comprises a
 disc like storage medium.
- 5 10. An image display apparatus as claimed in claim 3, wherein the plate-like storage medium comprises a disc like storage medium.
- 11. An image display apparatus as claimed in 10 claim 7, wherein the plate-like storage medium comprises a disc like storage medium.
- 12. An image display apparatus as claimed in claim 1, wherein the projection of said storage medium is conducted by projecting it from said recording/reproducing unit and said casing.
 - 13. An image display apparatus as claimed in claim 3, wherein the projection of said storage medium is conducted by projecting it from said recording/reproducing unit and said casing.
- 14. An image display apparatus as claimed in claim 7, wherein the projection of said storage medium
 25 is conducted by projecting it from said recording/reproducing unit and said casing.

An image display apparatus as claimed in claim 1, wherein the projection of said storage medium is conducted by projecting a holding structure for holding said storage medium from said casing.

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16. An image display apparatus as claimed in claim 3, wherein the projection of said storage medium is conducted by projecting a holding structure for holding said storage medium from said casing.

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17. An image display apparatus as claimed in claim 7, wherein the projection of said storage medium is conducted by projecting a holding structure for holding said storage medium from said casing.

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An image display apparatus as claimed in claim 1, wherein said image display panel has a display screen of 30 inches or more in a diagonal line.

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- 19. An image display apparatus as claimed in claim 3, wherein said image display panel has a display screen of 30 inches or more in a diagonal line.
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An image display apparatus as claimed in claim 7, wherein said image display panel has a display screen of 30 inches or more in a diagonal line.



21. An image display apparatus as claimed in claim 1, wherein said image display panel is a display panel in which at least 100 electron-emitting devices are arranged.

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22. An image display apparatus as claimed in claim 3, wherein said image display panel is a display panel in which at least 100 electron-emitting devices are arranged.

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23. An image display apparatus as claimed in claim 7, wherein said image display panel is a display panel in which at least 100 electron-emitting devices are arranged.

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24. An image display apparatus as claimed in claim 1, wherein said image display panel is a plasma display panel.

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25. An image display apparatus as claimed in claim 3, wherein said image display panel is a plasma display panel.

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claim 7, wherein said image display panel is a plasma display panel.

An image display apparatus as claimed in

- 27. An image display apparatus as claim d in claim 1, wherein said image display panel is a liquid crystal panel.
- 5 28. An image display apparatus as claimed in claim 3, wherein said image display panel is a liquid crystal panel.
- 29. An image display apparatus as claimed in 10 claim 7, wherein said image display panel is a liquid crystal panel.